

ARKANSAS STATE LEAGUE.

Its Energetic Secretary, Dr. G. W. Hayman.

The Secretary of the League is Dr. G. W. Hayman. He is a most exemplary young man. He always takes great interest in every movement destined to the good of the race. He is a member of the faculty of Philander Smith College, lecturer in physiology and hygiene, college physician and president of the Alumni Association. He is one of the prime movers of the State League, having written its constitution as well as every letter pertaining to its success. With him as Secretary the League has prospered.



DR. G. W. HAYMAN,
Secretary of the State Negro Business
League, Little Rock, Ark.

He is one of the most successful physicians and surgeons of his city and State. He has acquired considerable means from the practice of medicine. Since being in Little Rock, he has, by his persistent efforts and strict business principles of integrity, made a rating in the business world that speaks volumes for the race. He is also a member of the World's Fair board of directors for Arkansas; composed and wrote the first call that brought that representative memorable body of men together of his State, November 14, 1900, for the purpose of considering plans by which a creditable showing and exhibit of the race may be had at the coming great exposition in St. Louis, Mo.

THE CHURCH MILITANT.

Rev. A. M. Middlebrooks, of Pine Bluffs, Ark., a Leader in His State and a Power in Religious and Educational Circles—Admires Mr. Washington and Thinks Texas and New Mexico Should be Set Apart for the Colored People of America.

The Negro State Business League of Arkansas came in for a large share of space in the last issue of THE COLORED AMERICAN, and many thousand extra copies were sent to the State. We can not dismiss this State without a word about Rev. A. M. Middlebrooks, of Pine Bluff, one of the best-known men in the State. He is to the manor born and possesses all of the pluck, dash and enterprise characteristic of the big men of the State.

He was a Republican elector on the

Hayes and Wheeler National ticket in 1876, and a delegate to the National Republican Convention in 1880 and voted 36 ballots for Hon. James G. Blaine. Was a delegate again in 1884 at Chicago and was an elector for the Harrison and Morton National ticket and ran ahead of his ticket. In 1888-89 he was the court sheriff of Jefferson county and was U. S. internal revenue collector for four years under the Harrison administration. In his church he was the State missionary for the Missionary Baptists for four years, and is now engaged in the pastorate of a large and influential Baptist church in Little Rock. He erected this church at a cost of \$20,000, and is now forging to the front on the payment of the said church. He is also a real estate man in Pine Bluff—owns 40 cottages and a fashionable modern-built residence two stories high and with all the modern improvements.

He is the field agent for the New York Equitable Assurance Society and a 16-year-old child in the Society's family. He is one of the mud sills of the Arkansas Baptist College, located at Little Rock, and has done more for it than any one man in the world who has no children to go to the school. He says President Joseph Albert Booker, the president of this college, has in all probability done more for his



REV. A. M. MIDDLEBROOKS,
Pine Bluffs, Ark.

school among his own people than any other Negro professor now living—I mean direct among the Negroes—from the wash tub to the plow handles.

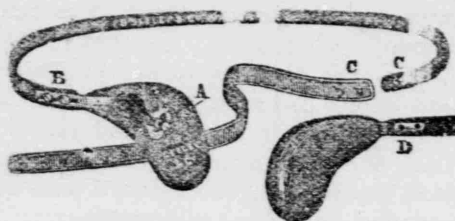
"But when," he says, "it comes to the man of fate among the cohorts of education, who has stirred the hearts of the Rockefellers, the Ogdens, the Peabodies, the Carnegies and the Tabithas of the white race, our Beacon Light, Booker T. Washington, has lead the world. I want to see the day when the great men of the white race and the cooperation of the world will see the practicability, through our Moses, leader and beacon light, of saying to him, 'Choose your territory in America and WE WILL PURCHASE IT.'"

"You may say what you will, but could New Mexico and Texas be purchased and the colored people located thereon, it would prove to be a goldmine of precious nuggets to those who model the deal. God be with the Negro of this country."

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